

WEEKLY VIEWS

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 2010

This week is Warden Jeff Wrigley's last week at New Castle Correctional Facility. Mr. Wrigley has been promoted to the Director of Operations for GEO's Western Division. NCCF would like to welcome Warden Don Stine as the new Superintendent and Mr. Wrigley's replacement.

Putnamville Correctional Facility and Rockville Correctional Facility kicked off the new year by launching the Promoting Positive Corrections Culture program this week. One of the goals of this initiative is to have 25% of staff in all facilities trained by April 1, 2010. (See the photo, right.)

Westville Correctional Facility hosted another successful American Red Cross blood drive. WCC Staff donated 40 units of blood. The bloodmobile will be returning to the facility again in April.

Branchville Correctional Facility's PLUS Program assembled and donated over 100 gift bags for the facility's visiting room. Any child visiting over the holiday weekends was given a gift bag to enjoy during the visit.

South Bend Juvenile Correctional Facility had its ACA reaccreditation audit this week. The auditors recommended a score of 100% on mandatory standards and 98.7% on non-mandatory standards. The facility staff celebrated this achievement with visitors from surrounding facilities, Central Office, CMS, and Aramark.

Members of the Community Involvement Committee met at the Indianapolis Re-Entry Educational Facility to discuss volunteer programs and future work partnerships with the community.

New Castle Correctional Facility held a staff recall this week. Michael Thombelson, Director of Education, was named Employee of the Month, and Officer Donald Burris was named Officer of the Month.

This week, three correctional staff from Pendleton Correctional Facility, Kurt Hollowell, Ronald Nethaway and Eric Funkhouser, assisted a woman in need on their way to work. The woman lost control of her car and wrecked in front of them. The staff members stayed with her and offered assistance until emergency personnel arrived.



Two Wabash Valley Correctional Facility programs, PLUS and Inside Out Dads, are helping 30 Carlisle 8th graders fulfill a special goal, by boosting a drive to fund their junior high graduation trip. \$1,500 was donated by the WVCF Dads program, and PLUS donated three handmade quilts to be raffled at school sporting events. "Our school appreciates what they have done immensely," said Principal Ryan Clark. (Pictured Left: Josh Collins/WVCF and Ryan Clark/principal.)



"Have patience with all things, but chiefly have patience with yourself. Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections but instantly set about remedying them – every day begin the task anew." ~ Saint Francis de Sales